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Dear Student Event Leaders,

At BU Sustainability, our mission is to transform Boston University's planning, operations, and culture to build a more sustainable and equitable future. Your involvement plays a vital role in this journey! Together, we can lead the way in creating Zero Waste events on the Medical Campus. Hosting a sustainable event involves many thoughtful choices, and we're here to help with practical tips to make your event greener and more impactful.

Reducing our waste is of utmost importance, and there are many ways we can do so!

Here are some examples:

- **Bring Your Own (BYO):** Encourage guests to bring their own reusable utensils, water bottles, and containers. Sweeten the deal with a small prize draw for those who participate!
- **Go Digital with E-Agendas:** Skip the printouts! Share agendas via email beforehand or display them on-screen during your event. Bonus tip: Suggest attendees snap a quick photo if they need a copy.
- **Choose Sustainable Catering:** Partner with eco-conscious caterers like [Basil Tree](#), known for their low-impact practices and reusable tray programs. Delicious food with a smaller footprint!
- **Go Green with Veggie Options:** Add more plant-based meals to your menu. It's a tasty way to lower your event's carbon footprint!
- **Recycle Right:** Unsure what's recyclable? Use the [RecycleSmart](#) website to make sure everything finds its proper place.
- **Reuse to Reduce Waste:** Opt for reusable event materials like name badge holders, decorations, and more.
- **Plan Ahead for Sustainability:** Explore BU Sustainability's [resources](#) to ensure every detail of your event aligns with eco-friendly practices.

Hosting sustainable events at BUMC reduces waste, inspires others to adopt eco-friendly practices, and brings us closer to BU's Zero Waste goal. Your efforts make a lasting impact—let's build a greener future together!

Thankyou,
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